

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants— Forest Department – Case under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against the Divisional Flying Squad, Visakhapatnam - Collecting bribes from the owners of saw mills and timber depots in Srikakulam District - Surprise Check conducted on 04.10.2016 – Common Departmental Proceedings under Rule-24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Article of Charges issued – Appointment of Inquiry Officer – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 40

Dated: 10-05-2021
Read the following:-

- 1) From the D.G., ACB, A.P., Hyderabad Letter RC.No.124 /DES-VSK/2016, dt:13.04.2017.
- 2) Govt.Memo.No.1795/Sec.IV/A1/2017, EFS&T(Sec.IV)Dept., dt.30.5.2017.
- 3) PCCF, A.P., Guntur Rc.No.7945/2017/Vig-1, dt.31.07.2017.
- 4) From the PCCF Lr. Ref. No. 7945/2017/Vig-1, dt.15.09.2017.
- 5) From the DG, ACB, Lr. Rc.No.124/DES-VSK/2016-S.12, dt.25.06.2019.
- 6) From the PCCF (HoFF), A.P., Guntur, Lr.No.7945/2017/Vig-1, dt:21.10.2019.
- 7) Memo.No.EFS01-FRST0FVIG/58/2019-SEC-IV, dt.16.11.2020.
- 8) From the DG, ACB, Lr. Rc. No.124/DES-VSK/2016-S.12, dt.25.02.2021
- 9) Memo. No.1795/Sec.IV/A1/2017, EFS&T(Sec.IV) Dept., dt.17.03.2021.
- 10) From the PCCF, Lr. Rc. No. 7945/2017/Vig-1, dt. 21.03.2021.

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O R D E R:

Where as, in the reference 1st read above, it was brought to the notice of Government that a Surprise Check was conducted by the Anti Corruption Bureau on 04.10.2016 on the allegations of misappropriation / irregularities against the forest staff of Flying Squad Division, Visakhapatnam.

2. AND WHEREAS, the Government after examining the Surprise Check Report, have initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule-24 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 against Sri B. Naga Raju and (5) five others vide Memo., 2nd read above and framed charges against them vide Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) Rc.No.7945/2017/Vig-1, dated 31.07.2017. The suspected officers have submitted their Written Statements of Defence vide reference 6th read above.

3. And whereas, it is considered that an Inquiring Authority should be appointed to inquire into the charges framed against Sri B. Naga Raju, DFO and (5) five others.

(P.T.O)

4. NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, the disciplinary authority hereby appoints Dr. K. Gopinath, IFS, Addl. PCCF (Vigilance), O/o the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur, as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the said officers mentioned at Para:3 above.

5. Copies of reports, charge memoranda and Written Statements of Defence submitted by the Charged Officers are forwarded herewith to the Inquiry Officer. The Presenting Officer will produce other original documents relating to the case before the Inquiry Officer.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

VIJAY KUMAR G.Srkr
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Dr. K. Gopinath, IFS, Addl. PCCF (Vigilance), O/o the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur(through PCCF)

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), A.P., Guntur (w.e) with a request to serve the orders along with the relevant material and furnish the acknowledged duplicate copy to Government immediately.

Copy to:

Sri B. Hari, Inspector of Police, ACB, Srikakulam Range & Presenting Officer (through PCCF)

The individuals (through PCCF & HoFF)

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER